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Letter dated 20 February 2003 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

I have the pleasure to transmit to you herewith an initiative of the Leader of the Revolution of the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya aimed at resolving the Iraqi crisis and preserving international peace and security, formulated by him after lengthy talks with numerous world leaders in response to the cries of world conscience.

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Initiative of Colonel Muammar Qaddafi aimed at resolving the Iraqi crisis and preserving international peace and security, formulated by him after lengthy talks with numerous world leaders in response to the cries of world conscience

In view of the need to rid Iraq and the Middle East region as a whole of weapons of mass destruction, making it an area totally free of such weapons, and to take care to avoid completely any policy of double standards in that regard, especially since the region, with its vital and strategic elements, affects international peace and security and poses a serious threat, should it explode, to the world, both present and future,

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The Security Council or the United States of America should issue a text officially stating that if Iraq is in possession of weapons of mass destruction and turns them over to the inspectors, disclosing them and placing them at their disposal, there will no longer be any ground for military preparations, which will be terminated.

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The Security Council should adopt a resolution that calls for the continuation of the work of the international inspectors in a calm, routinelike manner, the ongoing monitoring of any suspected installations and the continued work of the inspectors with a view to preventing Iraq from manufacturing or developing any weapon of mass destruction and provides that the constant state of war will therefore come to an end.